# COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY MINE SAFETY REVIEW COMMISSION ADMINISTRATIVE ACTION NO. **08-MSRC-111**

COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY,
OFFICE OF MINE SAFETY AND LICENSING

**COMPLAINANT** 

# FINAL ORDER FOR WOLFORD

**EDWARD B. WOLFORD**, CHANNON J. ADKINS & THOMAS M. CHAPMAN

RESPONDENTS

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This matter having come before the Commission on the Joint
Motion to Approve Settlement Agreement between the Complainant,
Office of Mine Safety and Licensing (OMSL) and Respondent Edward
Wolford, and the members of the Commission having reviewed the
Settlement Agreement filed on or after December 11, 2008 in the matter
herein, and the Commissioners being sufficiently advised,

IT IS HEREBY **ORDERED** as follows:

- 1. The Joint Motion to Approve Settlement Agreement is **GRANTED**;
- 2. The formal hearing and **pre-hearing** conference are **CANCELLED**;
- 3. The Settlement Agreement signed by the parties and filed with the Commission is hereby incorporated by reference as if reproduced herein in full as a material part of this FINAL ORDER. A copy is attached hereto;

- 4. This Final Order only resolves the matters referenced herein, and any new enforcement action or subsequent penalties imposed during any probationary period are in addition to and not in lieu of those that may be sought by OMSL for the acts or omissions during that probationary period. This Final Order in no way prohibits OMSL from investigating or filing legal action based upon other activities or omissions by the Respondent not arising from the factual basis of the original violation and resolved herein.
- 5. This Final Order shall be considered to constitute a "first offense" as that term is defined in 805 KAR 8:010, Section 1(5). Future allegations of separate offenses by Respondent, resulting in an adjudication of guilt by the Commission, shall be deemed "subsequent offenses" as defined by 805 KAR 8:010, Section 1(13);
- 6. This Final Order represents a final disposition of all issues between the Complainant and the Respondent, in these matters. Failure to comply with the terms and conditions of this Final Order may result in further action by the Commission; and
- 7. Appellate rights: Pursuant to KRS 351.194(8) and KRS 13B.140(1), an appeal of an order of the Commission must be filed in the Franklin Circuit Court within thirty (30) days of the entry of this Final Order. The petition shall include the names and addresses of all parties of record in this proceeding and shall include a statement of the grounds upon which review is requested. A copy

of this Final Order shall accompany the petition. Copies of the petition must be served upon the Commission and all parties of record in this proceeding.

Entered this the  $\coprod^{TH}$  day of  $\underbrace{\text{Dec}}_{200}$  200 $\underline{\mathscr{G}}$ .

Denisa Moore Davidson, Chair

MINE SAFETY REVIEW COMMISSION

#### CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that a true and correct copy of the foregoing ORDER was served by certified mail, return receipt requested, and by regular mail, postage pre-paid to the following this 16 TH day of 2008:

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And by regular mail to;

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And the original shall be kept on file:

Mine Safety Review Commission 132 Brighton Park Blvd. Frankfort Ky 40601

Bryon Alan Thompson

Hearing Officer & General Counsel Mine Safety Review Commission

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#### KENTUCKY OFFICE OF MINESAFETY AND LICENSING

**COMPLAINANT** 

## V. <u>SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT BETWEEN OMSL</u> AND EDWARD BRENT WOLFORD

WOLFORD, ADKINS AND CHAPMAN

RESPONDENTS

Come the Complainant, the Kentucky Office of Mine Safety and Licensing ("OMSL"), and Respondent Edward Brent Wolford ("Wolford"), and hereby state that they have agreed to a settlement of the above-styled disciplinary proceeding, according to the following terms:

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In consideration for the final resolution of this action against him, and the cancellation of the hearing (as it pertains to him) that is currently scheduled for December 11, 2008 at 11:00 a.m., hereby admits that he had violated 805 KAR 5:030, Section 2(3) underground at McCoy Elkhorn #26 mine in violation of KRS 351 and 352, as alleged in OMSL's Complaint. This Settlement only concerns Wolford. Therefore, Wolford hereby agrees to the following:

- 1. The probation of his underground miner's certificate for a period of one (1) year, effective upon the signing of this Settlement Agreement by both parties.
- 2. During this one (1) year probationary period, Wolford shall comply with all state and federal mine safety laws and regulations. The willful violation by Wolford of any said laws or regulations may result in OMSL filing a motion with the Mine Safety Review Commission to revoke his underground miner's certificate for the remainder of the probationary period.

- 3. Within forty-five (45) days of the effective date of this Settlement Agreement, Wolford must take eight (8) hours of special safety training from OMSL at its Pikeville District Office.
- 4. Wolford further agrees that this Settlement Agreement and any final Order issued herein by the Mine Safety Review Commission will be considered by the Commission to constitute a "first offense," as that term is defined at 805 KAR 8:010, Section 1(13).
- 5. Wolford further states that he has carefully read this Settlement Agreement (or that the Settlement Agreement has been read to him), that he has carefully considered the Agreement prior to signing it, and that he understands and agrees to its terms and provisions.
- 6. OMSL and Wolford acknowledge and agree that there are no further promises, inducements, representations, or agreements in connection with this Settlement Agreement other than those expressly set forth in writing herein.

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Edward B Wolford EDWARD BRENT WOLFORD	Johnny GREEND, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR KY Office of Mine Safety and Licensing P.O. Box 2244 Frankfort, Kentucky 40602
12-11-08 DATE	12-4-08 DATE
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